with the Schemes/Programmes of Ministry of Health, Education and Rural Development (Drinking water Supply).

(viii) To strengthen the existing monitoring and supervision mechanism for ICDS Scheme, the Government of India has approved setting up of a Central Monitoring Unit (CMU) at National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD), which would monitor the Scheme through independent professional organisation/institution in each State/ UT. This would be in addition to the monitoring mechanism in place at present.

(ix) A National level Monitoring Committee has been set up under the Chairpersonship of MOS(WCD) to oversee the entire functioning of ICDS Scheme and to ensure that the services are delivered to the target groups in an effective manner and the objectives of the scheme are fulfilled within the overall framework of the ICDS Scheme.

Safety and security of **children**

122. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any law/regulation exists for ensuring safety and security of children;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether instances have surfaced recently where thousands of children from various parts of the country, particularly hailing from socially and economically weaker sections of the society, have gone missing;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures proposed to be taken to ensure safety and security of children?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY) (a) and (b) Several provisions are available under different legislations of the country for the safety and security of children. A list of such legislations is given in Statement-I (See below).

(c) and (d) National Crime Records Bureau receives case information from States/UTs on missing children. The details of the cases reported during the year 2000 to 2006 on the basis of this information available are enclosed at Statement-II (See below). The Bureau does not collect and maintain information on social and economic background of the missing children.

(e) In addition to the implementation of the provisions available under the Constitution, Legislations, Policies and Plans of Action the Ministry of women and Child Development is in the process of setting up of a National Commission for Protection of Child Rights and formulation of an Integrated Child Protection Scheme and Offences Against Children (Prevention) Bill to ensure protection, safety and security of children.

Statement-I

List of Legislations regarding Safety and Security of Children

1. The Child Marriage (Prohibition) Act, 2006.
2. The Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986.
3. The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000.
4. The Infant Milk Substitutes, Feeding Bottles and Infant Foods (Regulation of Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 1992.
5. The Pre-Conception and Pre-natal diagnostic Technique (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act, 1994
6. The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995.
7. The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956.
8. The Guardian and Wards Act, 1890.
9. The Young Persons (Harmful Publications) Act, 1956.
10. The Commissions for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005.

Statement-II

Report for Mission Children (0-18 years) from 01/01/2000—31/12/2006

State/UT	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Andaman & Nicobar	3	1	0	1	3	1	0
Andhra Pradesh	13	3	0	27	192	156	53
Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assam	3	177	29	93	168	315	169
Bihar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chandigarh	118	73	16	34	38	95	19
Chhattisgarh	1.56	44	0	0	0	0	1
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daman & Diu	1	1	0	0	0	2	1
Delhi	2102	2381	706	1334	1715	340	370
Goa	1	0	0	0	1	2	0
Gujarat	111	39	28	52	143	91	21
Haryana	237	149	150	154	235	221	156
Himachal Pradesh	175	161	121	174	195	177	206
Jammu & Kashmir	13	2	13	24	13	5	0
Jharkhand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Karnataka	487	187	59	49	29	13	0
Kerala	335	218	104	112	208	168	86
Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madhya Pradesh	495	292	125	49	22	1	0
Maharashtra	406	286	111	64	179	146	2
Manipur	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nagaland	3	0	2	1	0	1	0
Orissa	192	119	108	91	462	338	63
Pondicherry	2	0	5	3	2	0	1
Punjab	117	112	28	50	109	105	85
Rajasthan	14	37	5	13	12	11	7
Sikkim	6	7	0	0	0	0	0
Tamil Nadu	53	112	96	128	250	204	33
Tripura	5	2	1	3	1	6	0
Uttar Pradesh	157	168	40	98	214	179	94
Uttranchal	42	8	1	1	10	7	20
West Bengal	117	94	42	0	579	1451	2529
TOTAL:	5364	4673	1791	2555	4780	4037	3916